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Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29210

ATTN: Chairperson: Elizabeth B. Fleming

Dear Ms. Fleming,

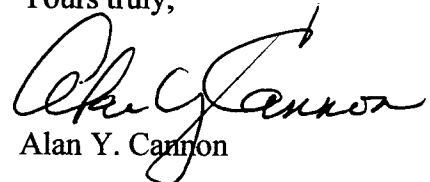
I am writing in regard to the 12% increase that Duke Power Company has requested for the coming years. I have read in my local daily newspapers...The Anderson Independent and The Greenville News...that they are requesting this increase so that their stockholders will receive the return on investment that they expect.

My question to you, Ms. Fleming is "What corporation in America, right now, would not love to give their stockholders the return on capital that they expect?"

During the worst recession since the great depression, most corporations are simply trying to stay in business...and a great many of them have not achieved that end. This letter cannot be long enough to list those who no longer exist much less give their stockholders a fair return on their money.

It is pure arrogance on the part of Duke Power to ask for a 12% increase. In all honesty, perhaps they are due some increase, but surely no one can justify 12%. I hope you and your fellow commissioners, John E. Howard, David A. Wright, Randy Mitchell, G. O'Neal Hamilton, Mignon L. Clyburn and Swain E. Whitfield will give sincere and earnest thought to this matter and arrive at a decision that is commensurate with our economic times.

Yours truly,

  
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